

IN RE: MEDTRONIC, INC. IMPLANTABLE )  
DEFIBRILLATORS PRODUCTS ) MDL No. 05-1726 (JMR/AJB)  
LIABILITY LITIGATION )  
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This pleading relates only to:	)	
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RONALD ABBEY,	)	Case No. 06-cv-04035 (JMR/AJB)
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
vs.	)	
	)	
MEDTRONIC, INC.,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	
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Plaintiff, Ronald Abbey, commenced this action on October 10, 2006. Plaintiff died on October 19, 2006. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 25(a)(1), Lori Renee Abbey now seeks an Order from this Court substituting her, in her capacity as the surviving spouse and successor in interest to Ronald Abbey, as a plaintiff in this action. Medtronic does not oppose this motion. Having considered the submissions and reviewed the procedural history of the file,

1. Lori Renee Abbey's Motion to Substitute Party (Civ. No. 05-1726 (JMR/AJB), Doc. Nos. 401, 403, and 429; Civ. No. 06-cv-04035 (JMR/AJB), Doc. Nos. 6, 7 and 8) is **GRANTED**.

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2. Lori Renee Abbey, in her capacity as the surviving spouse and successor in interest to Ronal Abbey, shall be substituted for Ronald Abbey, in the above-captioned matter.

Dated: March 8, 2007

s/ Arthur J. Boylan  
ARTHUR J. BOYLAN  
Magistrate Judge of the United States District Court